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SUBJECT: DEA EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM FOR GENERAL SAMI
ASSAD FARAG-EGYPT

REF: A. STATE 164889; B. ANKARA 5568

1. MAJ GEN SAMI ASSAN FARAG, DIRECTOR OF EGYPTIAN ANTI-NARCOTICS ADMINISTRATION, HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM AUG 11-22.

2. ALTHOUGH IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH FARAG HE WAS NOT TOO CLEAR AS TO HIS INTERESTS (PARTIALLY BECAUSE HE WAS UNFAMILIAR WITH US SCENE), HE EXPRESSED DESIRE TO A) OBSERVE ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS OF DEA HQS; B) ESTABLISH AS MANY HIGH-LEVEL CONTACTS AS POSSIBLE AND C) OBTAIN A BROAD PICTURE OF DEA DETECTION AND ENFORCEMENT TECHNIQUES AND PROCEDURES. AS DIRECTOR OF ANTI-NARCOTICS ADMINISTRATION FARAG IS SENIOR OFFICIAL HERE IN EGYPT ON ENFORCEMENT SIDE AND HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE. BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE THEREFORE TODO WHATEVER WE CAN TO TAILOR PROGRAM TO HIS REQUIREMENTS AND WISHES. SPECIAL EMPHASIS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO FARAG'S DESIRE TO MEET HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS IN DRUG ENFORCEMENT FIELDS, SINCE ESTABLISHING GOOD RAPPORT NOT ONLY IMPORTANT IN TERMS OF NARCOTICS

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PROGRAM BUT IN LINE WITH OUR POLITICAL OBJECTIVES AS WELL.

3. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO GIVE FARAG VIP TREATMENT TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. SUGGESTION THAT DEA AGENT HOLM BEIRUT ACCOMPANY FARAG (REFTEL B) IS EXCELLENT AND DESIGNED TO OBTAIN MAXIMUM MILEAGE FROM THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT. BELIEVE INTERPRETER IS NOT REQUIRED.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTS "EXCEPTIONAL PER DIEM RATE" MENTIONED REFTEL. NECESSARY INFORMATION FOLLOWS: MAJOR GENERAL SAMI ASSAD FARAG, DIRECTOR OF ANTI-NARCOTICS ADMINISTRATION, EGYPT, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, CAIRO, EGYPT. COURSE - TWELVE DAYS (AUG 11-22, 1975). FARAG HAS EXPRESSED ANXIETY OVER EXPENSES OF TRIP SINCE EGYPTIAN LAW SEVERELY LIMITS AMOUNT OF CURRENCY IT NATIONALS MAY TAKE ALONG WHEN VISITING ABROAD. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST AMOUNT OF PER DIEM FARAG WILL RECEIVE UNDER "EXCEPTIONAL RATE", AND WHETHER KIND OF HIGH LEVEL CONTACTS FARAG DESIRES CAN BE ARRANGED.

5. EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN HIS BIO DATA REQUESTED REFTEL SOONEST.
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